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ARGENTINE, KANSAS.

(By Mrs. Ophelia Jackson)

Mr. Jeff Lytle, who was convalescent from a case of pneumonia and suffered a stroke of paralysis Sunday, April 22, died Saturday morning April 28. He was a member of the Primitive Baptist church of Holliday, Kansas. His funeral was held at St. Paul Chapel Monday, April 30. Rev. DeMoss, moderator of the P. B. church, officiated. He leaves a wife, two daughters and four sons to mourn his death. Dr. W. P. Gray visited the Dental Convention at Topeka, Kansas, last week. Mr. J. W. Weaver recently operated on at the Wheatley Provident Hospital is seriously ill. Miss Georgia Tucker, who has been complaining for a week, is better and her father, G. W. Tucker, is slowly improving. Mrs. McReynolds, president of the Patrons Club of Lincoln High school, received a card from the retiring president of the Kansas Patrons' Club, thanking her for the part the club took in the purchase of a gift for her two years service. Mrs. Estella Bell, who was injured by a street car a week ago is improving.

The Patrons' Club of Lewis school met on Friday, April 29. Mrs. Smith, of the Patrons' Club of Douglas school, gave a very interesting talk, followed by remarks by Dr. Davis. The Needlecraft Club gave a stork shower for Mrs. Frances Balthrop Thursday, April 19. Mrs. Balthrop was very much surprised and words failed her when she attempted to express her appreciation, she was so overcome with emotion. A dainty repast of sherbet and cake was served and the afternoon was spent very pleasantly. Mrs. Millie Porter is suffering very much as a result of being struck with a piece of wood. She was breaking the wood when it struck her above the eye and made it necessary for her to consult a physician. Mr. Frazier left for Burlington, Kansas Monday evening to be at the bedside of his father, who is reported dying. Mr. Geo. Tucker, who has been very sick, is slightly improved. Mr. Jeff Lytle, who has been sick with pneumonia, was slightly improved when he suffered a stroke of paralysis on Sunday, April 22, and has been speechless since. Mrs. Simpson is confined to her bed on account of illness. Mrs. Pearl Morris, who has been quite ill is better at this writing. St. Paul Chapel will have its annual rally on May 6. There will be three services, at which time they hope to raise enough money to make some improvements. The services last Sunday were very good and at night, Rev. Mitchell of Kansas City, Kansas preached.

ST. JOSEPH, MISSOURI.

A select club has been formed to promote racial and commercial activity and has been named "The Ethiopian." Mr. Smith is president. Queen Esther Tabernacle will give a public installation at the Knights of Tabor's hall, 2d and Francis street, on the 17th of May and the A. R. Chinn Palatine Guards will give an exhibition drill on the night of the 17th for the benefit of Queen Esther Tabernacle. Miss Clemmie Williams of Weston, Mo., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Smith. Mrs. Belle Brown, who is a highly esteemed daughter of Queen Mary's Tabernacle, is very ill at present. Mr. Roscoe Conklin will speak at the Auditorium Wednesday night, May 2. A large attendance is expected. Miss Alma Jamison, who has been ill for sometime, is slightly improved. Mr. Sherman Thal of Oregon, is visiting his mother. Mr. Floyd Carter, the drill master of the Mount Tabor Temple No. 9, is going to be married soon. Rev. Woodford, formerly pastor of the M. E. Methodist church, 19th and Angelique, has been assigned to the M. E. Methodist church of Fulton, Mo. Rev. P. C. Crews, presiding elder of the Columbia district, recently visited his brother, Mr. Smith. Mr. Benjamin Monroe of Richmond, Mo., Mrs. Phenix, Worthy Princess of S. M. T. underwent an operation at the Sisters' Hospital last Thursday and is doing nicely at present. Mrs. Geo. Cook is indisposed, but nothing serious. Mrs. Sarah Ousley, who has been in Chicago the last two months visiting her son has returned home. The stork visited Mr. and Mrs. Fields and left a fine healthy boy.

WESTON, MO.

The Dunbar Literary Society will give a Temperance Drama entitled "One Glass of Wine," Friday May 11. The program given by the Mission Circle, April 27, was well attended in spite of the inclement weather. There will be a May Feast of the Methodist church Friday evening, May 4. Miss Emery, Mr. Bell and Mrs. Willis were guests at dinner of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Parker, Sunday. Mission Circle will meet with Mrs. Mattie Reese, Friday. Sewing Circle will meet with Mrs. Mattie Washington Saturday. Mrs. Ophelia Guilford, for many years a resident of Weston, has moved to Kansas City, Kansas. We miss her very much. She was president of the Mission Circle here. Mr. Ira Kelly, one of the last year's graduates, has enlisted in the Potato army. He planted nearly two acres week. We wish him much success with his potato crop.

CHILLICOTHE, MISSOURI.

(By Benj. V. Longdon)

Altho Mr. Wm. Botts is confined to his home we learn that he is recovering from the slight stroke of paralysis received two weeks ago. The inclement weather did not prevent a good attendance at the musical program rendered by the select talent under the direction of Mrs. Ward at the A. M. E. church last Friday night. Rev. I. L. Talley preached a special sermon to the Missionary Sisters and the Mission Board last Sunday morning. A program was rendered at the evening service under the auspices of the Missionary Sisters. They are doing commendable work. Quarterly meeting was held at the A. M. E. church last Sunday. Rev. M. S. Bryant, P. E., was unable to be present, but like a sick soldier, he is eager to fall into line at the trumpet's call. Despite this fact prayers were offered for his recovery and a very successful meeting was conducted by Rev. J. H. Word, who was assisted by Rev. R. H. Longdon. The funeral of Mr. Phillip Trosper, whose death occurred at his home in this city last Monday after a brief illness, was held from the A. M. E. church at 11:30 a. m., with Rev. Longdon officiating. Mr. Trosper was married to Miss Pearl Lee of Ufca, Mo., and was one of the most domestic of men. His career was just begun. His death was untimely. But God, who took him, knew best. He leaves to mourn his loss, a wife and two daughters, a mother, father, brother and a host of relatives. In accord with their method of having an annual exhibit of the literary and industrial work of the pupils of Garrison school, Prof. Williams and Brown and Miss Hillman artistically arranged for the large crowd of visiting patrons and friends last Friday afternoon. Mrs. Henry Williams received a letter from Mr. Wm. Williams last week stating his standing in a recent examination which brought an increased salary and compliments from one of the chief officials of the civil service department. It is not for us to say that Mr. Williams of St. Louis, Mo., or Mr. Thos. Banks, Jr., of Washington, D. C. and others are proud of their native town, but Chillicothe points to them with pride because the achievements of each gifted son or daughter reflects glory upon the entire race.

HELENA, MONTANA.

(By J. H. Hilliard)

Rev. H. C. Parsons returned from Spokane, Washington, Sunday; also North Yakima and reports a successful meeting at the Calvary Baptist. Mr. Charley Connolly of Great Falls, made a flying trip to Helena last week on business and was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Judge D. Hart, 1406 North Benton. Rev. Geo. F. Martin and Miss Olga York went to Great Falls to attend the conference. Mr. Geo. Robinette went to Anaconda, Montana, last week. Mrs. Albert Napier has moved to 1406 North Benton. The ladies of the St. James A. M. E. church gave an entertainment at Cruise Hall Thursday. The Baptist people commence work on their new church last week. Mrs. Annie Powers and her two daughters left the 18th for King Fisher, Okla., where she will join her husband, Rev. Riley R. Powers. While endeavoring to break a lonesome strain and getting away from a half occupied personage, Mrs. Geo. F. Martin visited friends last week. Hurry back Rev. Martin, because she is afraid to go home until morning. To be wise as your neighbor, you must read The Sun. Call 1554xx and say Sun.

PLEASANT HILL, MISSOURI.

Sunday was so very inclement that the services were very poorly attended. The teachers are busy drilling the children for the closing of school May 18. Mrs. Dora Wood and Amanda Ingram have returned from their visit to the city. Mrs. Ollie Sneed was very pleasantly surprised on her birthday. Her cousins very nicely arranged matters and when she returned from the show she found her house filled with a very pleasant party. After refreshments were served by the courtesy of Miss Rivers, the party was given an automobile ride. Mr. Samuel Wilkerson, Mr. Gillespie Wilkerson spent a few days last week in Kansas City. Mr. Walter Tucker of Iowa, Kansas, is the guest of Mrs. Mollie Cook at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Gipson. Mr. Howard Mills Sundayed in the city. Several visitors of Lee Summit were down Saturday evening to attend the entertainment given by Mr. Wood.

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Men without convictions are like ships without rudders that go hither and thither because they have no fixed purpose, and they drift like leaves on the surface of a stream. If there is any one thing in which Negro leadership is lacking, it is strong convictions, fixed purpose. They have no clear conception of purpose, and as a consequence they accomplish very little for their constituents.

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